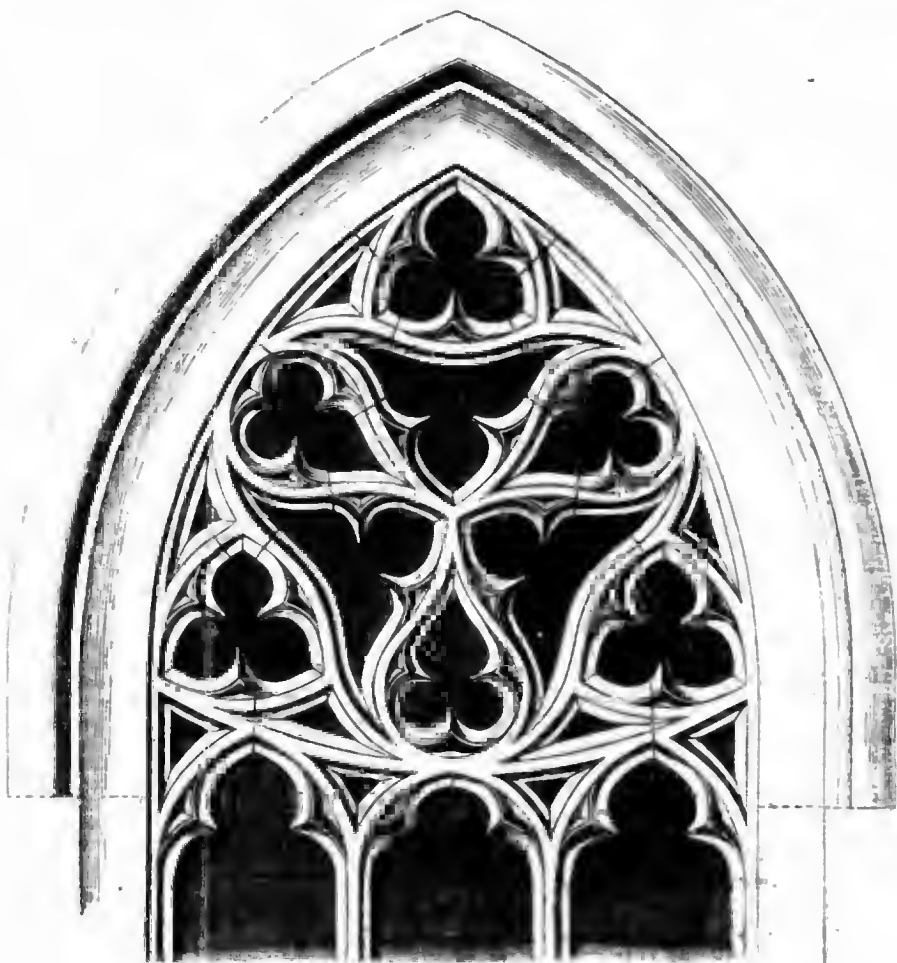


MASONIC WINDOW FROM LINCLUDEN ABBEY, DUMFRIES.



On the entrance-door of the building is written in old English character—

*Through this miter opening gate
Some come too early, some return too late.*

On the north front—

And pass, my friend.

The lodge-doors had formerly, it is said, similar inscriptions—but they no longer exist. In the memory of a gentleman residing near the spot, they were—

Remember the hours.

and

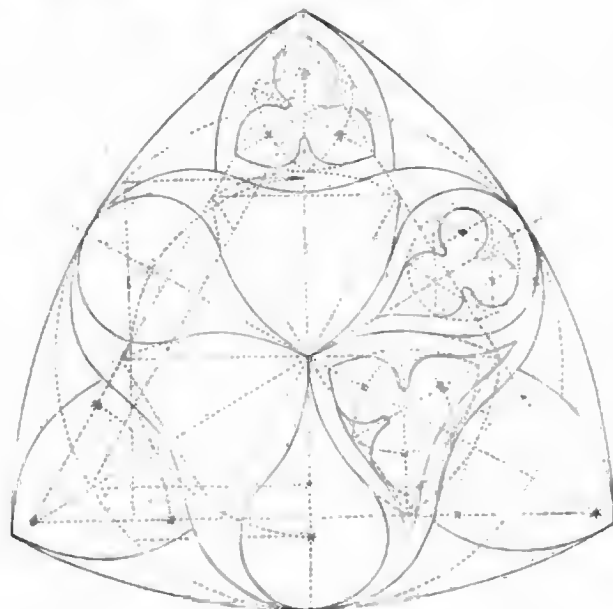
*Measure the coming,
Speech the parting guest.*

MASONIC WINDOW FROM LINCLUDEN ABBEY, DUMFRIES.

In the ruined Abbey of Lincluden, near Dumfries, Scotland, there is a window which exhibits the same peculiarity of design characterising the one in Linlithgow Church, engraved in the number for July 31, of THE BUILDER.*

The accompanying drawing is a restoration of this window. At present only those parts of the tracery which are connected with the arch remain, and these are delineated from measurements taken last autumn, and the other parts elucidated from them with the aid of geometry: it has been the centre window of the south aisle; in the others the tracery starts at the springing line, in the usual way. The mullions are $5\frac{1}{2}$ inches, and the tracery 5 inches in thickness; the fillet $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch broad in both.

* See p. 365, vol. v.



KEY TO CONSTRUCTION OF WINDOW.

The key appended to the drawing exhibits very distinctly the geometrical construction of the design. I have not the corbels to the label mouldings of the outside, and have therefore

to leave their places blank; they are, to some windows, escutcheons, to others animals. Except in the chancel, there are no labels inside.

The chancel, south transept, and two of the